

The Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport of Autonomous Republic of Ajara



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Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport

Education

256 Schools

7 Universities

Vocational Colleges

Sport

6 Sport Schools

15 Sport Federation

Culture

3 State Theatres

State Musical Center

19 museums

6 Art Centers/schools

3 State Ensembles



Vision

The Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport strives for such Ajara where civic and national self-consciousness is high, where individuals have equal opportunities for self-realization and development.

Mission

Since Education, culture and sport determine the economic and social welfare of the people and condition the sustainable development of the region:

- Access to quality **education** should be guaranteed in order to support human capital development.
- Ajara has to represent one of the leading cultural centers on the Black sea coast, cultural life has to support the international integration, and the cultural inheritance should be maintained and protected
- The development of professional sports should aim to maintain and improve physical fitness of participants. Amateur sports should continue to develop.



Strategic Directions

Education

- Quality and access to General, Vocational and Higher Education;
- Provision of Adult Education opportunities.

Culture

- Preservation and protection of cultural monuments;
- Infrastructure development;
- Support and development of performing, fine, applied and other fields of culture;
- Preservation and promotion of folklore and ethnographic research activities;
- Support and development of cultural tourism.

Sport

- Support of Healthy lifestyle and citizen engagement in sport activities;
- Assisting the professional sport and improvement of sport achievements;
- Developing the sport infrastructure;
- Development of sport tourism;
- Support of Youth Initiatives.



2012-2015 Strategic Framework

Culture	Education	Sport and Youth
<p>Cultural Heritage Preservation; and Museum and Gallery Development Programs Creation of new museums and exhibition spaces Modernization of Museums and galleries Development of new management regulations and criteria Infrastructure development</p>	<p>General Education Infrastructure enhancement - school building/rehabilitation, inventory and labs, uniforms Specialist schools Support Student motivation – Contests and Olympiads Teacher Professional development Education Quality Enhancement Boarding Schools Support</p>	<p>Support of Healthy lifestyle and public engagement in sport activities Assisting the sport in general educational schools Increasing the opportunities for engagement in the amateur sport</p>
<p>Folklore Preservation and promotion program Encouragement of ethnographic and scientific research activities Maintenance, Support and popularization of folklore and folk art</p>	<p>Vocational Education Education Quality Enhancement - Infrastructure and program development</p>	<p>Assisting the professional sport and improvement of sport achievements Support and development of sport federations and sport schools</p>
<p>Fine, Applied And Multimedia Art Promotion Program Support of film Production Facilitation of infrastructure and network development New venues for art and cultural institutions</p>	<p>Higher Education Needs-based Grants Infrastructure and program development Needs-based Grants Infrastructure and program development</p>	<p>Sport infrastructure development and rehabilitation; Support of sport tourism development</p>
<p>Performing and Music Art Program Increasing the quality and access of the Performing and Music Art</p>	<p>Adult Education Free Language and Computer Courses</p>	<p>Support of Youth Initiative Non-formal education, Youth Camps, Youth Activities and civic engagement</p>
<p>Professional development in the field of art and culture;</p>		



Programs of the Ministry

Education

- Infrastructure and Program development
- Teacher Professional development
- Specialist Schools Support
- Contests and Olympiads
- Student Grants

Culture

- Support of cultural management development;
- Facilitation of infrastructure development;
- Implementation of cultural, educational and tourist programs;
- International Cooperation with scientific, educational centers, governmental and non-governmental organizations
- Support of cultural events (festivals, biennale, exhibitions and other related events);

Sports

- Infrastructure development
- Support and development of sport federations and sport schools
- Participation in local/international sport activities